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discusses minutes in Management etc. for Political Airways taken from BOAC by W. Rutenberg of Political Airways. I.V. have no objection providing similar restriction was given to Eastern Airways to Arab Airlines during period of our responsibility for administration of Palestine.

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Palastine Airways were formed some time before the last war by the two brothers Rothenberg, and at the outbreak of war the whole fleet of aircraft was offered to the R.A.F. This offer was accepted.

2. The elder Rothenberg [was ^{deceased} killed] during the war, and in 1945 the younger set about re-forming the company. There has been a good deal of resentment over what was thought to be the inadequate amount of compensation which was to be paid to the company, and it was only until two months ago that everything was settled and licence granted to buy British aircraft.

3. Mr. Rothenberg has been here buying British aircraft, and while here he asked if B.O.A.C. could help him with the management of the company and technical assistance. (He does not require any money.) B.O.A.C. asked the C.O. for their views, and were told that there would be no objection, provided that, during the time we were responsible for the administration of Palastine, similar assistance was given to Eastern Airways, the Arab airline.

4. This rather sketchy information has come to me on the telephone from C.O., but, if Eastern Dept. wish, we can get a fuller story

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